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SET UP BY THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR TOBACCO-FREE KIDS.

Tobacco's Toll: 529,335 kids have become regular smokers in 2003. 169,387 will die prematurely from their addiction.



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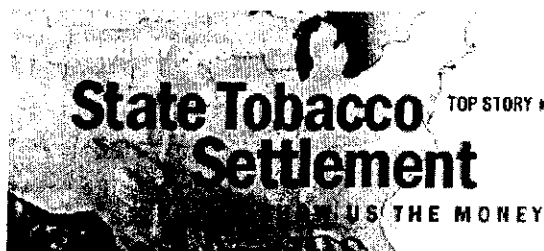
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Special Report



Buying Influence, Selling Death
July 2003 quarterly report on tobacco industry campaign contributions

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FDA Authority Over Tobacco
Which product is regulated to protect consumers? Not tobacco.

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Nations Adopt Tobacco Treaty
The Framework Convention on Tobacco Control

Monday, Sep 22

January 2003 Report

States are collecting more tobacco revenue than ever, but spending less on tobacco prevention.

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Tobacco Farmers and Public Health
Working together to solve two crises.

Latest Releases

September 17, 2003
DC Leaders Should Pass Smoke-Free Law and Protect Public's Right to Breathe Clean Air

September 9, 2003
JAMA Study Shows Kids Can Easily Buy Cigarettes Over the Internet, Underscoring Need for Meehan Legislation to Address the Problem



Highlights

Big Tobacco: Still Adding Kids
Tobacco marketing increased after 1998 tobacco settlement.

Internet Tobacco Sales
Legislation Introduced to Address Growing Problem

Higher Cigarette Taxes
Reduce Smoking, Save Lives, Save Money

Youth Advocates of the Year 2003
Winners announced at May gala in Washington, DC

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More than **2,000 kids become addicted to smoking each day**. You can help us stop this tragedy. Fill out the form below to send a free letter to Congress. Urge them to give the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) the authority it needs to **protect our kids from Big Tobacco!**

We invite you to read the stories of Americans who know the danger of tobacco and to **share your own story with us**. **Make your voice heard! You can also honor a loved one by lighting a memorial candle at our Virtual Vigil.**

Send Your Letter Now!

Subject: Please support FDA regulation of tobacco products

Dear [Lawmaker]:

Did you ever wonder what's in a cigarette?

A single cigarette exposes its user to over 4,000 chemicals, including arsenic, formaldehyde and ammonia.

Who allows this to happen? Congress. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) doesn't have the authority to require tobacco companies to take out dangerous additives. The only way for the FDA to get that authority is for Congress to pass legislation making it so. Unlike the manufacturer of any other product consumed by Americans, tobacco companies have continued to escape even the most basic oversight for public health and safety. For example, tobacco companies are not required to test additives for safety purposes, inform consumers of what is in their products or take any action to make their products less harmful or less addictive.

Effective FDA regulation of tobacco companies, endorsed by the public health community, would not only force them to remove harmful additives, but would also restrict the ability of tobacco companies to market their deadly products to children.

In addition, I ask that you reject

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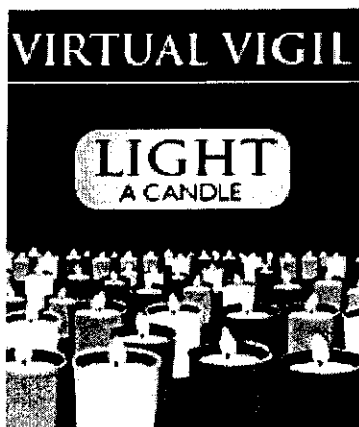
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This letter will be sent to the following individual(s):
Your Representative and Senators



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legislation, advocated by tobacco giant Philip Morris that are full of loopholes and special protections.

I hope that you are willing to take a leadership role in this cause. Thank you very much for taking the time to read my views on this important issue. I'll look forward to seeing your response.

Sincerely,

Your name
Your street address
City, State Zip

Unlike any other consumer products, cigarettes and other tobacco products have escaped health or safety oversight by the government. For more information about FDA regulation, [click here](#).

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Tell President Bush

Big Tobacco



Philip Morris has changed its' name to Altria. But it doesn't matter what you call them, they were still the largest corporate political campaign contributor this year. Now they expect a return on their investment. **Tell President Bush, "Don't Pardon Big Tobacco!"**

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Tell President Bush not to pardon Big Tobacco

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No matter how often a snake sheds its skin...
It's still a snake. "Altria" is Philip Morris.
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Special Report: Philip Morris Has Not Changed!
Company changes its name, but not its
deadly habits.

Subject: Don't Pardon Big Tobacco

Dear Mr. President:



Don't let Big Tobacco off the hook. I urge your Administration to aggressively pursue the government's lawsuit against the tobacco industry. Please say no to special protection for Big Tobacco and give the American people their day in court.

In another scheme to fool the American people, Philip Morris is trying to escape responsibility for the harm their products cause by changing their name. Don't fall for the PR stunts of an industry that has deceived and endangered the American people for decades.

President Bush, please fully fund the lawsuit and don't settle for anything short of fundamental changes in Big Tobacco's harmful marketing and manufacturing practices.

Sincerely,

Your name
Your street address
City, State Zip

This letter will be sent to the following individual(s):

George W. Bush, The President Of The United States

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Saving Kids from the Dangers of Smoking

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WHY TAX TOBACCO

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Southern states consistently have the **lowest cigarette taxes in the country** and that is addicting and killing our kids! If we can get our Southern state Governors to raise the states' cigarette taxes, it will **not only raise millions** in new state revenue but also **keep tens of thousands of our kids from ever becoming smokers or dying early because of it.**

Take Action Now! Urge your Governor to protect our kids by raising the cigarette tax to **at least the national average of 67 cents per pack.**

Take Action

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Your Governor

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Subject: Please protect our Kids from smoking.

Dear [Lawmaker]:

I'm writing to urge you to support an increase in our cigarette tax to at least the national average of 67 cents per pack. Raising the tax to 67 cents per pack is essential if we hope to protect our kids from the dangers of smoking.

Last year, 21 other states raised their cigarette tax. Don't our kids deserve the same?

Increasing cigarette taxes is a proven winning solution for both policymakers and the public. It's a public health policy that is proven to reduce smoking, especially among kids and a fiscal policy that generates much-needed revenue and reduces smoking-caused health care costs.

Every single state that has significantly increased its cigarette tax rate has obtained substantial new additional state revenues despite the declines in pack sales prompted by the increase.

Cigarette tax increases also strengthen state economies. They not only increase government revenues and reduce public and private smoking-caused costs but also shift consumer expenditures to more productive products and services and reduce smoking-caused work absences and other productivity declines. And all of these benefits can be accelerated and expanded by investing just a few cents worth of the rate increase to expand the state's efforts to prevent and reduce smoking.

Increasing the tax on cigarettes to the national average of 67 cents per pack would prevent thousands of our Southern kids from becoming smokers, generate millions of dollars in new revenue and reduce health care costs spent treating tobacco-caused disease.

Please protect our kids and raise the cigarette tax to at least the national average of 67 cents per pack.

Thank you for considering my comments. I look forward to your response to this important issue.

Sincerely,

Your name
Your street address
City, State Zip

This is our chance to protect our kids! Solid scientific research and the experiences of other states show that raising cigarette taxes will keep kids from smoking.

